

## Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 DUBLIN 01583 061718Z

40-L

ACTION EB-06

INFO OCT-01 EUR-08 NEA-06 FRB-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00

INRE-00 USIE-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-03 INR-05 L-01

NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 RSC-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 TRSE-00

COME-00 INT-05 STR-01 CEA-01 CIEP-01 OMB-01 FEAE-00

TAR-01 SWF-01 SAM-01 /068 W  
----- 008046

O R 061533Z NOV 74

FM AMEMBASSY DUBLIN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6147

INFO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

AMEMBASSY BONN

AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY LUXEMBOURG

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

AMEMBASSY ROME

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY USMISSION EC BRUSSELS

USMISSION OECD PARIS

USMISSION GENEVA

C O N F I D E N T I A L DUBLIN 1583

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ETRD, EEC, EI

SUBJ: EC/IRAN PREFERENCES: REPRESENTATIONS TO IRISH GOVERNMENT

REF: A. STATE 241510

B. STATE 218673

C. STATE 164851

1. PURSUANT TO REF (A), AMBASSADOR ON NOVEMBER 6 CALLED ON PAUL KEATING, SECRETARY OF IRISH DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. DRAW-CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 DUBLIN 01583 061718Z

ING ON REFTELS, AMBASSADOR POINTED OUT THAT US OBJECTS TO PREF-

ERENTIAL TRADING AGREEMENTS & THAT WE BELIEVE EC MOVE TOWARD PREFERENTIAL ARRANGEMENT FOR IRAN WOULD BE SERIOUS DEPARTURE FROM PAIT EC ASSURANCES ON LIMITING PROLIFERATION OF SUCH ARRANGEMENTS. PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR PETROLEUM IMPORTS FROM IRAN WOULD BE INCONSISTENT WITH GATT, AND BILATERAL SUPPLY ARRANGEMENT, AS ENVISAGED, WOULD AGGRAVATE EXISTING DISTORTION OF PETROLEUM SUPPLY & PRICING FACTORS. AMBASSADOR ALSO UNDERScoreD OUR ASSESSMENT THAT GENERAL LIBERALIZATION OF WORLD TRADE ON NON-DISCRIMINATORY BASIS THROUGH MTN WOULD SECURE GREATER ACCESS TO FOREIGN MARKETS WHICH IRAN SEEKS, WITHOUT UPSETTING US-EC RELATIONS. FINALLY, AMBASSADOR EMPHASIZED THAT OUR OPPOSITION TO EXTENSION OF EC PREFERENCES TO IRAN IS SERIOUS AND IS NOT OF MERELY MARGINAL POLITICAL AND ECONOMICAL INTEREST TO USG.

2. KEATING REPLIED THAT HE WAS AWARE OF HIGH LEVEL USG INTEREST BUT HE THOUGHT THAT AFTER JULY 22/23 EC COUNCIL MEETING PROPOSAL FOR PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FROM IRAN WAS A DEAD ISSUE. KEATING ALSO SAID HE WAS NOT AWARE THAT MATTER MIGHT BE DISCUSSED NOVEMBER 7 MEETING. HE DID NOT THINK THAT ANYTHING WOULD COME OF THE GERMAN PROPOSAL SINCE IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT IT DID NOT HAVE THE SUPPORT OF MOST OTHER EC MEMBERS. KEATING DID NOT GIVE A DEFINITE ANSWER ON WHAT THE IRISH POSITION WOULD BE IF THE QUESTION IS RAISED IN THE PERMREP'S MEETING, BUT, IN REPLY TO A DIRECT QUESTION, HE SAID THAT "THIS IS NOT THE SORT OF THING THAT THE IRISH GOVERNMENT FAVORS."

3. AS A RESULT OF AMBASSADOR'S MEETING WITH KEATING AS WELL AS EARLIER DISCUSSION AT THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY LEVEL IN THE DEPARTMENT FOREIGN AFFAIRS, THE EMBASSY BELIEVES IRISH ARE IN PRINCIPLE OPPOSED TO THE PREFERENTIAL ARRANGEMENT FOR IRAN AND THAT THEY WILL ACT ACCORDINGLY, BARRING AN UNFORESEEN TURN OF EVENTS.  
MOORE

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, PREFERENTIAL TARIFFS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 06 NOV 1974  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** golinofr  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1974DUBLIN01583  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** GS  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D740318-0988  
**From:** DUBLIN  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1974/newtext/t19741167/aaaacfab.tel  
**Line Count:** 93  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ACTION EB  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** A. STATE 241510  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** golinofr  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 03 APR 2002  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <03 APR 2002 by martinml>; APPROVED <07-Aug-2002 by golinofr>  
**Review Markings:**

Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
30 JUN 2005

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** EC/IRAN PREFERENCES: REPRESENTATIONS TO IRISH GOVERNMENT  
**TAGS:** ETRD, EI, IR, EEC  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005